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In re: Application of Ogino et al.

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COATING AGENT

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Response to Requirement to Restrict under 35 USC \$121

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Sir.

Introductory Comments

This paper responds to the Official Action mailed January 31, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of one month. A Request for an extension of time is transmitted herewith, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee associated with entry of this amendment to Deposit Account 01-1250. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on or before March 31, 2006. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.